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CG's Millrinder Message #6: Mission Ready/Leadership Focused

As we press forward with 2014, let me start by saying how proud I am of the tremendous work you are doing for our Geographic Combatant Commanders. With leaders stepping up from all ranks, you are accomplishing the difficult missions our Nation asks of you.

The latest example of Team 21 leading the way is our work at the Mihail Kogalniceanu (MK) Air Base in Romania. Our Soldiers are building a passenger transit center for U.S. military troops redeploying from Afghanistan. Our Team 21 formations are clocking long hours, braving cold wintry conditions, and beating tough deadlines to ensure this project is completed on time and on budget. Our work ensures returning troops get the best possible support before reuniting with their loved ones.

Shifting focus from our future endeavors at MK, let us reflect on the past. February is Black History Month. African-American Soldiers have selflessly served in our Army for generations. This year our Nation recognizes the 50th anniversary of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. I encourage you to take part in the many events held throughout your community.

Almost two centuries before the Civil Rights Act, General George Washington stood in New York City on July 9, 1776, to read the Declaration of Independence, calling for a Nation where "all men are created equal." February we observe Washington's Birthday and commemorate the courageous leadership of America's first president.

Finally, let us not forget to remember our loved ones on Valentine's Day. The support we receive from our Families is what keeps us Family fit, Ready Strong Professionals.

God bless you, Team 21 Families, our Army, and our Nation!

First in Support – Ready Strong!

Sincerely,

John R. O'Connor
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